# COVID-19
# California: State of Preparedness

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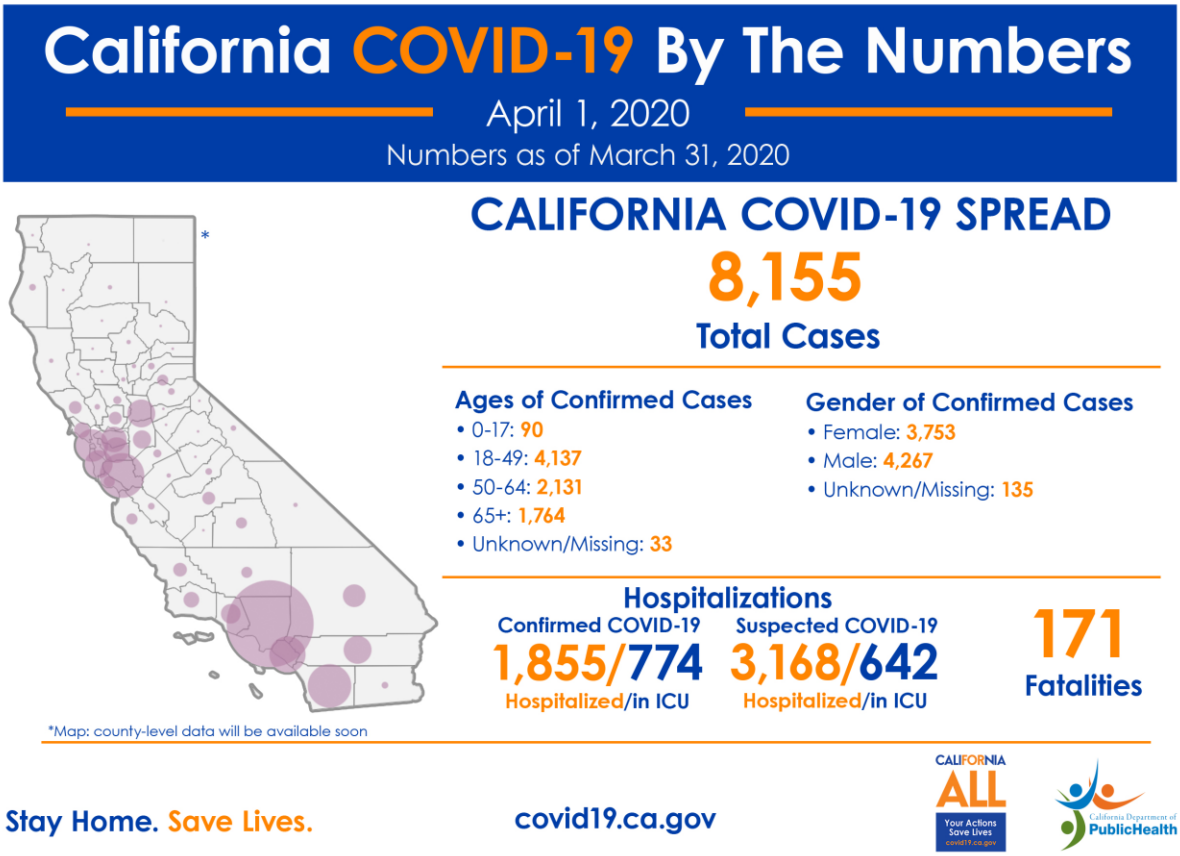
COVID-19 at a Glance




- Of the 8,155, **47 confirmed cases are from the Grand Princess and 127 are healthcare workers**
- **Nationwide COVID-19 Numbers***
  - **As of April 1, there have been 3,603 deaths**.
  - **186,101** cases reported in 55 jurisdictions (50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, Northern Marianas and US Virgin Islands).
    - **1,110** are travel related
    - **3,128** transmitted by close contact
    - **181,863** are under investigation

***CDC numbers are updated Monday-Friday.***

- **Taskforces stood up by the State Operations Center (SOC) to address various COVID-19 response issues:**
    - Communications/Crisis Communications (ESF* 2/ESF 15)
    - Transportation and Infrastructure (ESF 1/ESF 3)
    - Housing and Social Services (ESF 6)
    - Logistics/Commodity Movement (ESF 7)
    - Fire/Law Enforcement (ESF 4/ESF 13
    - Public Health and Medical (ESF 8)
    - Schools Task Force
    - Economic Impact/Recovery Task Force
    - Volunteers & Philanthropy (ESF 17)
    - Innovation & Technology Task Force
    - Cybersecurity (ESF 18)
    - Corrections Facilities & Hospitals
    - Future Opportunities
    - Workforce Development & Surge Capacity

    ** Emergency Support Function*

- **PPE and Medical Supply Requests**
    - Resource requests for health care **providers and facilities** are handled through local public health departments to CDPH. The requests are submitted to the Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator (MHOAC), through the Regional Disaster Medical Health Coordinator (RDMHC), which are then sent to the CDPH Medical and Health Coordination Center (MHCC).

    - This way all equipment requests can be tracked and prioritized appropriately, and they are fulfilled as quickly as possible.

    - The local health facilities know this process well and have been properly submitting requests.

    - We know these requests are very urgent, which is why the MHCC is working closely with the State Operations Center (SOC). Emergency Medical Services Agency (EMSA) is also embedded in the SOC to help facilitate those requests.

- **PPE delivered to date 4/1/20:**
  - **617,612 gowns**
  - **554,990 face shields**
  - **2.3 million gloves**
  - **3,196 coveralls**
  - **109,558 goggles**
  - **35.4 million N95 Masks**

## Cal OES Webinar for Local Governments: Procurement Standards for FEMA Public Assistance Awards

- An open invitation for all local governments in California that are making purchases in direct response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- This training will assist local governments apply for FEMA Public Assistance, and to apply the federal procurement under grant standards – a requirement of receiving FEMA Public Assistance to help pay for the cost of responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

- These are virtual trainings that will hosted on BlueJeans, which only requires a mobile phone or a computer with an internet connection to view and participate.

- To provide ample opportunity to take this training, the training will repeat every day starting **Wednesday April 1st, 2020, through Tuesday April 14th, 2020** with a morning and an afternoon session.
  - Morning Session: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
  - Afternoon Session: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

- To join the presentation:
  - Use the following hyperlink. Chrome works best : https://bluejeans.com/904327884?src=calendarLink

  - Or download the iPhone or Android app
    - **Meeting ID: 904 327 884**

## Actions Taken by the State and Federal Government

- **April 1, Governor Gavin Newsom announced a major agreement between teachers, classified employees, school boards, superintendents, and principals to work together to provide distance learning to California's students as a result of school closures due to mitigation efforts against the COVID-19 outbreak. The agreement means more kids will be able to get school resources, such as quality distance instruction, and empowers teachers to create lessons within clear parameters.**
    - **The agreement includes a collaboration framework for school employers and employees to work together on matters of labor and management to minimize any impact to students—including direction on implementation and delivery of distance learning, special education, and meals through the end of the school year.**

- On March 31st, Governor Newsom announced the **Stay Home. Save Lives. Check In.' campaign**, which urges all Californians to check in on vulnerable neighbors with a call, text or physically-distanced door knock.

- March 30, Governor Gavin Newsom launched a new initiative to expand California's health care workforce and recruit health care professionals to address the COVID-19 surge. Health care professionals with an active license, public health professionals, medical retirees, medical and nursing students, or members of medical disaster response teams in California are all encouraged to join the new California Health Corps.

- The Governor also signed an executive order that will temporarily expand the health care workforce and allow health care facilities to staff at least an additional 50,000 hospital beds the state needs to treat COVID-19 patients. Governor Newsom also signed an omnibus executive order allowing small businesses a 90 day extension for filing returns.
    - The executive order also includes extensions that impact state government workers, as well as consumers. For instance, the Department of Motor Vehicles will limit in-person transactions for the next 60 days, allowing instead for mail-in renewals. Additionally, the

Department of Consumer Affairs will waive continuing education requirements for several professions, also for the next 60 days

- Further, the order will extend the Office of Administrative Law's deadlines to review regular department proposed regulations. The order also extends by 60 days the time period to complete investigation of public safety officers based on allegations of misconduct. Finally, deadlines for trainings, investigations, and adverse actions for state workers will also be extended.

- March 29, California State Parks announced it is temporarily closing vehicle access at all 280 state parks to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Many state parks once again experienced visitation surges that made it impossible for the public to implement appropriate social/physical distancing practices.

- On March 28, Governor Gavin Newsom announced from Bloom Energy site in San Jose that 100s of ventilators were sent for refurbishment.
    - 80 have been refurbished and sent out to hospitals.
    - 170 ventilators received from federal government that were not working sent to Bloom for refurbishment to be sent back to LA on Monday.
    - 350 manufacturers have volunteered to help with response effort.
    - Anheuser-Busch making hand sanitizer for food banks and for seniors. Small distillers making hand sanitizer, as well.
    - GAP making gowns and masks.
    - St. John Knits to makes gowns and masks.
    - 7-11 donated 1 million N95 Masks.

- On March 27, the USNS Mercy arrived in Port of Los Angeles.

- Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order establishing statewide moratorium on evictions on March 27. An additional executive order was issued to empower the Judicial Council and the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court to take necessary action to be able to conduct business and continue to operate while responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- The President signed a Presidential Memo directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to use authority under the Defense Production Act to require the production of ventilators.

- March 27, President Trump signed the CARES act into law.

- On March 26, The President released a letter announcing new guidelines for state and local governments were in the works, for COVID -19 mitigation. The letter also announced that officials are gathering testing data that will suggest guidelines categorizing counties as "high risk, medium risk or low risk" for the virus.

- All California DMV field offices were closed.

- On March 26, FEMA announced the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has completed an assessment of eight state-selected facilities throughout California to develop large-scale, supplemental hospital space as the state works to expand existing hospital capacity.

    - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are scoping sites provided by the State of California for their potential use as Alternate Care Facilities.

- FEMA expedited the transfer of 109 disaster mobile home units to support COVID-19 housing initiative for impacted individuals.

- On March 25, Governor Gavin Newsom announced mortgage relief for Californians affected by COVID-19. Eligible homeowners would be able to defer mortgage payments for at least three months. The relief package included Wells Fargo, U.S. Bank, Citi Bank and J.P. Morgan Chase, as well as 200 state-chartered banks and credit unions.

- On March 24, Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order mandating COVID-19 protocols for DOJ and CDCR. Text of order available here.

- On March 23, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the closure of state parks and beaches to combat COVID-19. A list of closures can be found online at www.parks.ca.gov/FlattenTheCurve . The Governor also awarded $100 Million to Cities, Counties and Continuums of Care to Help People Experiencing Homelessness During COVID-19 Pandemic.

- March 23, deadlines for the Real ID have been extended. New deadlines to be announced.

- On March 22, In a letter to President Donald Trump, Governor Gavin Newsom requested a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration to assist in California's COVID-19 preparedness and emergency response efforts. The President approved the request later that evening.

- The President also activated the National Guard for use in California, with 100 percent federal cost share. The National Guard will facilitate distribution of food to pantries and food banks.

- On March 21, the Governor's Office released guidance on essential services.

- Governor Newsom directed $42 million in emergency funding to expand California's health care infrastructure and secure equipment and services to support California's response to COVID-19.

- $30 million to lease and operate two facilities and to expand the state's hospital capacity.
    - Seton Medical Center in Daly City.
    - St. Vincent Medical Center in Los Angeles.
    - $1,420,000 to expand capacity of the state's public health lab in Richmond.
    - $8,647,000 to purchase new ventilators, as well as IV fusion pumps, and refurbish additional ventilators.
    - $2 million to contract with American Medical Response to provide patient transportation.

- On March 20, FEMA has established a COVID-19 rumor control page on their website to clear up misconceptions about the virus. Visitors to the

page will also find fact sheets and archived news releases. The COVID-19 response pages can be found at:
  - ENGLISH: https://www.fema.gov/coronavirus
  - SPANISH: https://www.fema.gov/es/coronavirus

- The Treasury department announced Tax Day would be moved from April 15th to July 15th.

- The U.S. Department of Education is temporarily waiving interest on all federally held student loans and has directed federal lenders to suspend student loan payments for 60 days.

- CDC released guidance on healthcare workers returning to work after exposure or confirmation of COVID-19. This guidance can be found on the CDC website: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/healthcare-facilities/hcp-return-work.html.

- 500 California National Guard personnel have been requested by CalVolunteers and CHHS On March 20, to augment food distribution through food bank and pantry locations due to COVID-19 disruption of local and volunteer activities throughout the state

- On March 20, 2020, CDE launched the email COVID19@cde.ca.gov to streamline management of inquiries from the field.

- On March 4, Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency.

## Grand Princess Cruise Ship

- Beginning Monday, March 23, passengers of the Grand Princess will begin to leave quarantine at Travis and Miramar. They will leave in groups over the next two days to return to their homes

- The passengers' 14-day quarantine started when they disembarked, so some will end their time on March 24th, 25th, 26th and 27th.

- However, each is an individual medical decision, so discharge dates may vary.

## How Can People Protect Themselves:

We're all in this together. We are working rapidly to keep our state healthy. Every person has a role to play. Your actions save lives.

**DO:**

- Stay home.
- Avoid people outside your household.
- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Maintain a safe social distance of 6 ft whenever outside of the house.

**DON'T**

- Leave the house except for essential activities.
- Shake hands.
- Touch your face.
- Go to the doctor if you aren't sick.
- Stockpile masks or gloves.

- It is also important that anyone experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, call their health care provider first before seeking medical care so that appropriate precautions can be taken.

- Staying away from work, school or other people if you become sick with respiratory symptoms like fever and cough.

- Visit https://covid19.ca.gov/ for more information about COVID-19 and things you can do to keep you, your family and your community healthy.

## About the Disease:

- The family of coronaviruses has been around for some time. Some coronavirus are common, like the ones that cause the common cold. Coronavirus Disease 2019, or COVID-19, is a new a kind of coronavirus.

- The most common symptoms include fever cough and respiratory symptoms. Our experience to date is that most people, more than 80%, have mild or no symptoms, but some have more complicated course, including pneumonia.

- We are learning more about its transmission, but the most common symptoms are respiratory, so its primary mode of transmission is through coughing and sneezing.

## About the Tests:

- As of **March 31,** approximately **90,200** tests have been conducted in California - received from commercial and private labs and the 22 state and county health labs that are currently testing.
    - **31,038** results have been reported to Public Health.
    - **59,100** are pending.
- Commercial, provider and academic labs have increased testing capacity and are now reporting that data to the state. The biggest labs included in this count include Quest, LabCorp, Kaiser, University of California and Stanford.
- In order to better focus public health resources on the changing needs of California communities, the state is no longer collecting information about California travelers returning from countries that have confirmed COVID-19 outbreaks.
- Community transmission of COVID-19 has been identified in California since late February, and since early March, most confirmed cases in the state were not related to travel outside of the United States.
- The CDC is providing test kits to public health labs in the U.S., including California, to detect the novel coronavirus. The test kits contain all the elements necessary for a laboratory to test and confirm the presence of the disease. Each test kit contains enough ingredients to test between 350 and 400 individuals. As of March 7, there are 25 such kits in California at various public health labs. Additional test kits have been ordered.
- At this time, both oral and nasal swabs are taken at a hospital or by a physician who suspects COVID 19. This is handled through regular procedures for specimen collection, much in the same way flu testing is handled. There are no special materials needed for this collection. Those

specimens are delivered, again much in the same way flu specimens are delivered, to the nearest public health lab for testing.

- California is working closely with the CDC to request and receive more testing capacity, as needed. The CDC has fulfilled those requests on an ongoing basis and, as needs expand, California continues to request more testing capacity.

## Economic Injury Disaster Loan

- SBA has declared all California counties eligible.
- This SBA declaration, makes available Economic Injury Disaster Loans to impacted small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture, and private non-profit organizations.
- SBA loans can be approved up to 2 million dollars but are limited to the economic injury determined by SBA. These loans are intended to assist through the disaster recovery period.
- U.S. Small Business Administration announced changes to help borrowers still paying back SBA loans from previous disasters. By making this change, deferments through December 31, 2020, will be automatic. Now, borrowers of home and business disaster loans do not have to contact SBA to request deferment.
- On March 27, 2020, President Trump signed into law the CARES Act, which provided additional assistance for small business owners and non-profits, including the opportunity to get up to a $10,000 Advance on an Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL). This Advance may be available even if your EIDL application was declined or is still pending and will be forgiven.
- If you wish to apply for the Advance on your EIDL, please visit www.SBA.gov/Disaster as soon as possible to fill out a new, streamlined application.

- In order to qualify you need to submit this new application even if you previously submitted an EIDL application. Applying will not impact the status or slow your existing application.

## Other Resources and Press Releases

**State**

California Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response

California Health And Human Services Open Data Portal *New*

CDPH Website

COVID-19 Guidance Documents

COVID-19 Messaging Toolkit

Cal OES News

**Federal**

Coronavirus.gov

FEMA Rumor Control Page

CDC Webpage

- Travel Notices: COVID-19 and Cruise Ship Travel-CDC
- Travel notices - CDC
- Resources for the Community

State Department Travel Advisories

FDA COVID-19 Guidance

FDA Enforcement Policy for Ventilators

USDA SNAP Guidance

SBA- COVID-19 Small Business Guidance

**Orders & Press Releases**

Governor Newsom Announces Agreement Between Teachers, Classified Employees and School System Management to Support Student Instruction During COVID-19 Outbreak

Governor Newsom Launches Campaign to Protect Health and Well-Being of Older Californians During COVID-19 Pandemic

Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order Providing Relief to California Small Businesses

Governor Newsom Announces California Health Corps, a Major Initiative to Expand Health Care Workforce to Fight COVID-19

California State Parks Closes Vehicular Access at all State Parks

Governor Newsom Statement on Federal Supplemental Stimulus Bill

Statement from the President Regarding the Defense Production Act

Governor Newsom Takes Executive Action to Establish a Statewide Moratorium on Evictions

Governor Gavin Newsom Announces Major Financial Relief Package: 90-Day Mortgage Payment Relief During COVID-19 Crisis

Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order on State Prisons and Juvenile Facilities in Response to the COVID-19 Outbreak

California Secures Presidential Major Disaster Declaration to Support State's COVID-19 Emergency Response

Governor Newsom Requests Presidential Major Disaster Declaration for State's COVID-19 Response Efforts

Governor Newsom Takes Action to Strengthen California's Health Care Delivery System to Respond to COVID-19

Governor Newsom Signs Order to Protect Public Health by Expanding Vote-by-Mail Options and Extending Deadlines for Presidential Primary Canvass

Governor Gavin Newsom Issues Stay at Home Order

Governor Newsom Takes Emergency Actions & Authorizes $150 Million in Funding to Protect Homeless Californians from COVID-19

Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order to Suspend Standardized Testing for Students in Response to COVID-19 Outbreak

Governor Newsom Asks Legislature for Emergency Legislative Action to Fight COVID-19

Small Business Administration- Disaster Loan Assistance-Declaration Details

DMV allows customers to avoid coming to a DMV office for 60 days

FEMA Support Under Emergency Declaration

Get Your Mass Gatherings or Large Community Events Ready

Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order Ensuring State Funding for Schools Even in Event of Physical Closure

Frequently Asked Questions About Use of Stockpiled N95 Filtering Facepiece Respirators for Protection from COVID-19

Interim Guidance for Protecting Health Care Workers from Exposure to 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV)

Governor Newsom, State Health Officials Announce More than 22 Million Californians Now Eligible for Free Medically Necessary COVID-19 Testing

Federal and State Partners Protect the Community of Oakland while Supporting the Safe Return of Passengers from the Grand Princess Cruise Ship

Covid-19 Public Health Guidance for Individuals With Access And Functional Needs

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